

PERSONAL & SOCIAL

CHRISTMAS WEDDING AT THE PARSONAGE



MRS. W. W. O'BARRA

Well-known Harrisburg Couple Are Quietly Married Christmas Morning by the Rev. John H. Daugherty, of Ridge Avenue Methodist Church.

MISS ALMA BONAWITZ WEDS WILLIAM BARR

Eastern Honeymoon to Be Followed by Residence in This City. Miss Alma P. Bonawitz, daughter of Jonathan G. Bonawitz, of 443 South Thirteenth street and William W. O. Barr, of this city, were quietly married at 1:30 o'clock Christmas morning at the parsonage of the Ridge Avenue Methodist Church by the pastor, the Rev. John H. Daugherty.

The bride, who was unattended, wore a stylish traveling suit of King's blue chiffon broadcloth, with fur trimmings, and hat to match. She carried a shower bouquet of white orchids and valley lilies. A reception and breakfast for the members of the immediate families was held at the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. W. W. Karr, 110 Calder street, immediately following the ceremony. The honeymoon, to be spent in Philadelphia, Newark and New York city, will be followed by a visit to the home of the bride's young people are well known throughout the city, Mr. Barr being an attaché of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Saint Cecilia's Choir Sings at Cathedral Mass

The members of St. Patrick's Cathedral enjoyed superb music at the 9 o'clock mass yesterday morning, rendered by the members of the Saint Cecilia's choir under the direction of Sister M. Evangelist. This singing was a rare treat to the hearers of this mass, as Sister Evangelist has been absent from the city for several years. She is noted for her musical abilities and the rendition of this mass showed the maturity of her talent. Sister Evangelist presided at the organ. She was accompanied by two violins, two cornets, and one trombone, by five boy members of the choir. The soprano and alto voices were sung with much expression by Miss Alice LeCompte and Miss Neidig. The solo parts sung by the boys in unison and in very accurate time. The chorus of eighty voices harmonized beautifully and were sung with the true spirit of the festive day. The Saint Cecilia's choir is composed of the young boys and girls of the Cathedral parish, and if they continue to co-operate in this opportunity given them by this noted instructor, there is no doubt that in the near future they will be one of the most pleasing choirs in our Capital City.

MAJESTIC GUESTS AT A SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Black at Home at Old Orchard Christmas Day

One of the most interesting social events of Christmas day was the informal "at home" held by Mr. and Mrs. Homer Black at Old Orchard, in celebration of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Roses and exotics mingled with the holiday greenery, holly and poinsettias in decorating Old Orchard, and there was music by an orchestra during the receiving hours from four to seven o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Black received not only the congratulations of many friends but beautiful gifts from those who were in the secret of the wedding day. In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. Black, Mrs. Black's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Peterson of this city, and Theodore O. Peterson, of New York. Assisting in serving were Miss Dorothy Black, Miss Elizabeth Groff, Miss Esther Gram, Miss Gertrude George, Miss Alice LeCompte, Miss Helen Rickenbach, Miss Elizabeth Dohoney and Miss Constance Beldiman. Miss Eugenie Dagmar Peterson and Homer Black were united in marriage December 25, 1889 in the Old North Church of Boston, famous in the history of the country. The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. J. H. Gilmore of the University of Rochester, N. Y., officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Black came to Harrisburg in January 1889, where Mr. Black was appointed general secretary of the M. C. A., a position he holds to-day. Both Mr. and Mrs. Black became prominently identified with the civic and social life of the city, and have a wide circle of friends here.

DR. COOVER ENGAGED

Announcement Made at Reception This Afternoon at Wilmington, Del. Harrisburgers are uninterested in an engagement announcement made this afternoon at a large reception given by Mr. and Mrs. John Parsons of Wilmington, Del., in honor of their daughter, Miss Ethel Parsons who will marry Dr. Carson Coover of this city. Miss Parsons is the College chum of Miss Katharine L. Coover, and took a trip abroad with her early in the past summer. Miss Parsons will be here next week for a visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Coover, Pine street, and will be the guest of honor at a number of charming social events during her stay.

MUSICAL LECTURE

Dr. Gow of Vassar College Will Address the Wednesday Club. The Wednesday Club will have the pleasure of hearing a lecture Monday afternoon at Fahnstock Hall, at 2:30 o'clock, when Dr. George Coleman Gow, of Vassar College will speak on "The Beauty of Music." This lecture is open to all members of the organization and the club will have as its guests, members of the Eurhythmia Club, of this city, the Eurhythmia Club of Lancaster and the Camp Hill Music Club. Dr. Gow arranged the programs for the working musicals of the Wednesday Club this season, and most successful meetings have been held in the study of the "Rhythm, Harmony, Melody and Color of Music."

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT

Miss Eleanor Boyd to Marry John M. Colt, of Baltimore. An engagement announced on Christmas day, most interesting society circles in that of Miss Eleanor Boyd, daughter of Mrs. John Y. Boyd, of Pine street, and John M. Colt, of Baltimore, Md. Miss Boyd and her fiancé are relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. McCormick, at 305 North Front street, during the holidays, as Mrs. Boyd and her family are spending the winter at Southern Pines, N. C. Miss Boyd is a graduate of the Dobbs Ferry school and the department of domestic science at Columbia University. Mr. Colt is a Princeton alumnus, now doing graduate work at that university. He is a classmate of Jackson Herr Boyd, Miss Boyd's younger brother.

BOLL-STEWART

Popular Young People Announce Engagement on Christmas Day. Mr. and Mrs. William Boll-Stewart, of 906 Green street, announced the engagement yesterday, of their attractive daughter, Miss Elizabeth Stuart to Charles Wyckoff Boll, of this city. Both young people are well known throughout the city and are receiving congratulations and good wishes from most of the city. Miss Stuart is a graduate of the Sellen school, and the Froebel Kindergarten school. Mr. Boll, who is a native of this city, is a student in the College in Philadelphia after graduating from Lawrenceville, is now superintendent of the Boll Bros. Manufacturing Company of this city. The marriage will be an event of the autumn of 1915.

GUESTS AT HOUSE PARTY

THE MISSES STAMM. Among the guests of the Misses Stamm, Thirteenth and Reese street, at a holiday house party are Miss Pearl Withcomb, of England, whose father is a colonel in the British army, and now at the front. Miss Whitecomb is a school mate of Miss Ruthanna Johnston, of Rosemont, is a guest of Miss Maude Stamm, of the Pine Elm Hotel, Detroit. Miss Julia Stamm's guest, Miss Elizabeth Averette Penick, of Lynchburg, Miss Westervelt, and Miss Neelie Westervelt, of Englewood, N. J., are also in the party.

CAKE SEVENTEEN YEARS OLD

Marietta, Pa., Dec. 26.—A Christmas cake, made seventeen years ago and in the best of preservation, is in the possession of Charles Rangier, proprietor of the Six-Mile House, near York New Salem. The cake has three layers and the top is covered with a candy icing, and as hard almost as stone. It attracted considerable attention to-day.

TRAMP ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 26.—Frank Myers, an inmate of the vagrants' quarters in the county jail here, attempted suicide last evening by cutting his throat with a razor. He just missed the jugular vein but gained the Todd hospital, where the physicians are unable to tell whether the man will recover. Myers is believed to be a native of Switzerland and has been locked up here as a tramp several times in the past five years. He has been in jail since November. If Myers should die, his death will make the tenth in the vagrants' quarters of the jail and the second suicide in the last year.

STOLEN CANE, CHARGE

Frank Stokes was before Mayor John K. Royal this afternoon on a charge of larceny. Lusy Hall, who resides in Angle alley, told Joseph Thach, the detective, that Stokes stole a silver-headed cane from her home.

ACADEMY STARTS TO PLAY

One of the important basketball games scheduled for next week, is that between the Harrisburg Academy and the All-College five, made up of former academy stars. The game will be played at Cathedral Hall, Tuesday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. Members of the Alumni team, of Yale Varsity five, began practice this afternoon.

PROF. H. A. SURFACE, STATE ECONOMIC ZOOLOGIST FOR THE PAST TWELVE YEARS, IS ANNOUNCED AS A CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE BRUNBAUGH ADMINISTRATION.

His Friends Place Name Before Dr. Brumbaugh; Has Broad Platform

Prof. H. A. Surface, State Economic Zoologist for the past twelve years, is announced as a candidate for Secretary of Agriculture under the Brumbaugh administration. For some time it has been reported that in view of the expressed intention of his chief, Secretary N. B. Critchfield, to retire at the close of his present term next February, Prof. Surface's friends would seek the appointment for him. Recently newspapers in various parts of the Commonwealth have suggested Surface for Secretary of Agriculture, in view of his magnificent work that he has done for the fruit growers of the State, and Prof. Surface to-day admitted that he has decided to permit his qualifications to be placed before Dr. Brumbaugh for his consideration. Prof. Surface rests his candidacy on a broad constructive policy. He has given the agricultural problem of Pennsylvania much thought, and as secretary says he would extend educational and demonstrational branch of the work along the same practical lines as have marked his administration of the office of Economic Zoologist so successful. When Surface was appointed by Governor Pennypacker to the office he now holds, few persons had ever heard of his name. He employed an Economic Zoologist. Under his direction fruit growing has received a new impetus in Pennsylvania and has become one of its leading farm industries. Insect pests have been checked and the farmers have been taught how to plant and care for their orchards and small fruits.

Great Work Ahead

"We are on the eve of great possibilities in the office of Secretary of Agriculture," said Prof. Surface to-day, "and I would like to be the man to undertake them. I believe the fundamental duty of the Secretary of Agriculture is to be the aid in the development of a better, happier and more prosperous rural life. This must be accomplished through co-operation of all agricultural forces, and must aim chiefly at the conservation and improvement of soil fertility and agricultural energy and the welfare of the agricultural people. Sociological forces, such as would contribute to rural betterment; the development of agriculture in the schools; the training of agricultural teachers in the training schools; farm plots connected with school buildings where agriculture is taught; rural roads; the centralization of schools and the transportation of pupils to such schools; the teaching of domestic economics; the utilization of school buildings as social centers; the development of rural school athletics, literary societies and agricultural societies, and above all the fraternal and social spirit of the rural people; resulting in the development and improvement of rural churches—these are some of the things to which special attention should be given, not only by other means, but by practical demonstrational methods.

Rural Councils

"By some means like the organization of a rural council in each county of the State, the Secretary could learn the conditions and needs of that county better than in any other way. Through the co-operation of such a rural council, the county farm specialist, and the departmental demonstrators it would be possible to establish and maintain definite regional demonstrations and experimental farms. There it would be possible to show the conditions and needs of the rural people, modern machinery, modern agricultural methods, the prevention of farm waste, the economic building up of poor soil, the results of pulverized manure, the prevention of soil erosion, the rotation of crops with specialization according to the adaptation of the soil. On these farms, too, could be carried on the testing of seeds and the selection of varieties, not only of other crops, but of the best breeds of livestock and poultry as well. There also could be demonstrated the latest features of dairying, the work of co-operative testing associations, the handling of dairy products in a sanitary way; better transportation and selling facilities for farm products; the diagnosis, prevention and diseases of animals and poultry, the suppression of diseases of plants and injurious insects and the best farm methods for the prevention of any other pests, rather than waiting for the time when the spray pump must be used. On these experimental and demonstrational farms it would be possible to study and show such as the thinning of fruits, the depth, methods and dates for plowing and cultivating, the growing of catch crops, the use of legumes, the growing of legumes of various kinds; the methods and dates of harvesting crops; of picking and packing fruit and of storing and shipping farm produce. Here also could be demonstrated the advantages of co-operation in buying supplies and in selling crops; and in general, the kind of co-operation that must exist in order to result in the greatest good for our agricultural people.

New Conditions may Arise that must be met.

"New conditions may arise that must be met. Details of problems must be solved only after considerable thought, but it is certain that country life should be made more attractive, and this cannot be without efforts that will result in better financial returns and less drudgery, although not necessarily less work; a better sense of protection for rural life and property; an ethical development through the improvement of home surroundings, and the conservation of rural life and health by improving sanitary conditions. Rural prosperity must be obtained chiefly through those agencies that will improve the quality and increase the quantity of country produce, with a reduction in cost of production, or at least without a proportionate increase in the cost of the same.

Grandest Art

"When agriculture, as the grandest art to which man can turn his thoughts, because fundamental to all others, is given its proper place by being dignified as an art, based upon many of the sciences, then it will receive the respectful attention it deserves, and the rural youth will comprehend this and their art will, in their estimation, properly be raised to the dignity of a profession as important and as profound, if not more so, than any other. There will be no problem then about how to keep the boys and girls on the farm.

The sciences on which this great art is based—namely geology, zoology, botany, chemistry and physics with their numerous branches or divisions—must be properly taught in the rural schools, so that every boy and girl will have a chance to learn the educational dignity that attends the profession of farming. This means that such training of teachers must not be neglected. The rural press everywhere must give attention to such subjects, and legislation must co-operate also. "We can not expect to see a 'rural up-life' (so called). Better conditions and advancement for us who live in the country can come only as an out-

ASTRICH'S Happy New Year Monday Sale

Hats Almost Given Away—Sale Starts 9 O'clock

MONDAY ONLY Black Velvet Hats Colored Satin Sailors Colored Velvet Sailors Velvet Facings Black Velvet Sailors MONDAY ONLY 25c 25c And Others Actually Selling Price \$1.98 and \$2.98

Large Crush Crown, Monday Picture Hats, Lyons Velvet. Value \$4 \$1.88

Large Black Silk Velvet Sailors. The leading shape. Value \$2.50 \$1.44

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Silk Velvet Rose Bouquets, all the new colorings, value 75c, 44c

Velvet Dahlias, high colorings, were \$1.00, Monday, 59c

Small Military and Close-fitting Turbans, a sample lot, worth \$2.00 & \$3.00, 88c

Black Flossie Allen Sailors, grosgrain band, worth \$2.00, 98c

Ostrich Fancies, Worth 98c, Monday, 44c

Black Ostrich Tips, value \$1.50, 79c

Sailors; worth \$3 Velour Flossie Allen \$1.88

Children's Ready-to-wear and Un-trimmed Hats, felt, velour & corduroy 25c

Space does not permit us to mention the hundreds of other MONDAY SPECIALS. Look for the RED TICKETS.

THIEVES HOLD UP AND ROB MERCHANT IN HIS OFFICE

Special to The Telegraph. Waynesboro, Pa., Dec. 26.—J. H. Baer, who conducts a mill and feed store at the Cross station, two miles southeast of Waynesboro, was the victim of a hold-up Christmas Eve about 8 o'clock. Mr. Baer was sitting in the office of the mill alone when, suddenly, he saw a hand containing a revolver thrust through a window and held up to his face. About the same time a masked man appeared at the door, walked in and requested Mr. Baer to hand over all his money, and began going through Mr. Baer's pockets. The latter could not interfere as he was overpowered and held up to his face. Mr. Baer telephoned to Chief of Police S. W. Staley at Waynesboro, who went to work on the case immediately.

CHRISTMAS EVE BRIDAL

Mrs. G. Mabel Luckenbill of Mertz town and James S. Kirkhoff, of Reading, were united in marriage at the parsonage of Christ Lutheran Church, this city, Thursday evening, December 24, by the Rev. Thomas Reisch, pastor of the church. The bride wore a traveling suit with hat to harmonize and was unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkhoff will live in Reading after a short wedding trip.

ITEMS FROM LISBURN

Mrs. Mary A. Snyder and Floyd S. Fetrow, of Lewisberry, were married at the parsonage of the Lisburn Church, Thursday, December 24, by the Rev. F. W. McGuire. The churches of the Lisburn charge united in presenting their pastor with many valuable and useful gifts at Christmas time.

A Testimony From Experience and Observation

If every man, woman and child knew the satisfaction and real happiness of having money at a specified time—accumulated by small and regular savings made each week and not missed—they would join the Security Holiday Savings Fund, and have money for Insurance, taxes, coal, or any other needs, and not be worried when these payments become due. If you have spent, during the year, money that you really have nothing for, which is an experience of many, don't do so the coming year. Make up your mind to have something at the close of 1915. If you listen to this you will have. Join now.

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